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In the claims:

1. (currently amended) An article comprising an adhesive layer disposed between retroreflective sheeting and a polymeric liner, the liner having an adhesive-facing surface releasably adhered to the adhesive;
wherein the adhesive-facing surface has a coefficient of friction of at least about 0.30;
the [substrate] retroreflective sheeting exhibits shrinkage such that (1-L/LO) is greater than 0.05% at 10 days according to Shrinkage Test Method B;
and the liner exhibits shrinkage at 10 days according to Shrinkage Test Method B ranging from substantially the same as to greater than the [substrate] retroreflective sheeting.
2. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 1 wherein the article exhibits good roll stability such that the article is smooth and free of wrinkles.
3. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the substrate has a force per unit width of at least two to three times greater than the liner.
4. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the substrate has a force per unit width of at least 1×10^3 Newtons/cm greater than the liner.
5. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the substrate has a force per unit width of at least 1×10^4 Newtons/cm greater than the liner.
6. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the coefficient of friction is at least about 0.40.
7. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the coefficient of friction is at least about 0.45.
8. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the coefficient of friction is at least about 0.50.

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9. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the substrate comprises acrylic, poly(vinyl chloride), poly(vinyl fluoride), polyurethane, polyolefin, polyester, and combinations thereof.
10. (Original) The article of claim 9 wherein the substrate comprises acrylic or polyolefin.
11. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 1 wherein the adhesive is a heat-stable adhesive.
12. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the adhesive is crosslinked.
13. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the adhesive is acrylate based.
14. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein said adhesive is substantially free of photoinitiator.
15. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the substrate is retroreflective sheeting.
16. (Original) The article of claim 15 wherein the retroreflective sheeting comprises polymethylmethacrylate.
17. (Original) The article of claim 15 wherein the retroreflective sheeting comprises an enclosed-lens, an encapsulated lens, or cube-corner construction.
18. (Original) The article of claim 15 wherein the retroreflective sheeting comprises an encapsulated lens construction.
19. (Original) The article of claim 1 wherein the release liner comprises a backing and a release coating compositions on said adhesive-facing surface wherein said release coating composition comprises a cure-on-demand moisture curable composition having reactive silane functionality.

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20. (Original) The article of claim 19 wherein the moisture-curable compositions comprises a compound comprising molecules bearing reactive silane functional groups and an acid generating material that is free of ammonium salt.

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41. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 1 wherein the substrate comprises a sheet.

42. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 1 wherein the substrate comprises a film.

43. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 1 wherein the substrate comprises a thermoplastic polymeric material.

44. (Previously Presented) An article comprising an adhesive layer disposed between retroreflective sheeting and a polymeric liner, the liner having an adhesive-facing surface releasably adhered to the adhesive;
wherein the adhesive-facing surface has a coefficient of friction of at least about 0.30;
the substrate exhibits shrinkage such that $(1-L/LO)$ is greater than 0.05% at 10 days according to Shrinkage Test Method B;
and the liner exhibits shrinkage at 10 days according to Shrinkage Test Method B ranging from substantially the same as to greater than the substrate.